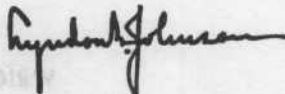


In this season, let us offer more than words of thanksgiving to God. Let us resolve to offer Him the best that is within us—tolerance, respect for life, faith in the destiny of all men to live in peace.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, in consonance with Section 6103 of Title 5 of the United States Code designating the fourth Thursday of November in each year as Thanksgiving Day, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 28, 1968 as a day of national thanksgiving.

82 Stat. 250.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



Proclamation 3882

HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK

By the President of the United States of America

December 7, 1968

A Proclamation

This year has marked the twentieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights—set forth in 1948 by the United Nations as a common standard for all mankind. It has been a year for thoughtful men in every continent to rededicate themselves to strengthening and extending the rights of man.

The United States has been a world leader in the struggle for human rights. The ideals which the Declaration of Human Rights embodies gave birth to our Nation almost two centuries ago. Our concern for individual freedom is deep, abiding and genuine. It is the very foundation of the American system.

The doctrine is guaranteed by our Constitution, by legislation enacted by the Congress, by decisions of the Supreme Court and by Executive action. But today more than ever, its promises must be matched by practice. Equal rights must be translated into equal opportunities.

Education about human rights must start in the home and continue from kindergarten through graduate school. Our schools and colleges must grasp the meaning of their responsibility to teach the history of the long struggle for human rights.

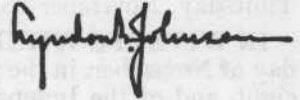
Human rights will take a firmer place in international law as all nations, including our own, ratify human rights conventions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim December 10, 1968, as Human Rights Day, and December 15, 1968, as Bill of Rights Day, and call upon the people of the United States to observe the week of December 10–17 as Human Rights Week.

In observance of Human Rights Week, I call upon the American people and upon all agencies of government—Federal, State, and local—to pay homage to our great heritage of liberty, to seek to understand the human rights that we now enjoy, and to respect the rights of others.

I urge all our schools and colleges to encourage understanding of the Bill of Rights and the Universal Declaration of Rights to instill in our younger citizens respect for these basic principles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of December, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



Proclamation 3883

WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY, 1968

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Sixty-five years ago, two bicycle makers—two amazingly inventive and persevering young brothers from Ohio—made four flights in one day with a machine that was heavier than air and propelled by motor.

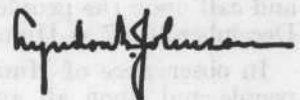
Their first journey was shorter than the floor of the giant C-5 cargo ship that was test flown earlier this year. But those brief flights, in the sand hill area outside Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, on December 17, 1903, launched the air age. They changed mankind's way of life.

Orville and Wilbur Wright gave their names to history. Through their determination to master the secret of flight, they symbolized American ingenuity and courage. It is fitting that we should commemorate their achievement, as we enjoy the tremendous advances in convenient travel that have evolved from it.

To this end, the Congress by a joint resolution approved December 17, 1963 (77 Stat. 402), has designated the seventeenth day of December of each year as Wright Brothers Day, and has requested the President to issue annually a proclamation inviting the people of the United States to observe that day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of this Nation, and their local and national government officials, to observe Wright Brothers Day, December 17, 1968, with appropriate ceremonies and activities, both to recall the accomplishments of the Wright Brothers and to provide a stimulus to aviation in this country and throughout the world.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



December 16, 1968

36 USC 169.